

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council	Item ID	69124	Agenda Number	17.
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Meeting Date:	4/13/2017	Department:	Public Health
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**Subject**

Approve an ordinance authorizing the transfer of \$170,000 in grant funds from the Austin Public Health Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20160914-001) and amending the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Austin Public Health Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20160914-002) to appropriate \$170,000 in grant funds for the Austin Shelter for Women and Children renovation capital improvement project.

**Amount and Source of Funding**

Funding in the amount of \$170,000 is available through the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs Homeless Housing and Services Program. On September 14, 2016 Council previously approved these grant funds.

**Fiscal Note**

A fiscal note is attached.

**Purchasing Language:**

**Prior Council Action:** On September 14, 2016 Council approved Ordinance No. 20160914-001 adopting the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budget as well Ordinance No. 20160914-002 adopting the Fiscal year 2016-2017 Capital Budget.

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**Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:**

**MBE / WBE:**

**Related Items:**

**Additional Backup Information**

The Austin Shelter for Women and Children provides continuous emergency shelter, basic needs, specialized counseling, childcare, and educational services for single women and women with dependent children. The 13,328 square-foot facility for the Austin Shelter for Women and Children is located at 4523 Tannehill Lane and the City has recently executed a new 50-year lease with Travis County to operate the facility. The facility is in need of renovations in order to better serve the existing population of homeless women and children, as well as expand services for 32 to 34 additional clients. To address the most critical facility-needs and program expansions, renovations must include a fire suppression system, dining room expansion, Americans with Disabilities Act upgrades, code compliant kitchen ceiling and site improvements, including irrigation, site drainage, tree rehabilitation and planting, a new drive for emergency vehicle access, and a safe walking path. Expansion of the facility will also provide additional sleeping quarters for family groups with older males, an expanded child care facility, and additional parking spaces.